Cornelia de Lange Syndrome: Deletion/Duplication Panel

**Test Code:** MD460  
**Turnaround time:** 2 weeks  
**CPT Codes:** 81228 x1

### Condition Description

Mutations in five genes, **HDAC8, NIPBL (5p13.1), RAD21, SMC1A, and SMC3** are currently reported to cause Cornelia de Lange syndrome (CdLS). Mutations in the **NIPBL** gene more often cause the classical form of CdLS, while mutations in the **HDAC8, RAD21, SMC1A, and SMC3** genes often cause a more mild form of CdLS. Classical CdLS is characterized by distinctive facial features (including microbrachycephaly, arched eyebrows, long, thick eyelashes, low-set posteriorly rotated and/or hirsute ears with thickened helices, depressed or broad nasal bridge, long smooth philtrum, high arched or cleft palate, small widely-spaced teeth, micrognathia, and a short neck), growth retardation, hirsutism, and upper limb reduction deficits. Additional features include intellectual disability, cardiac defects, gastrointestinal dysfunction, hearing loss, myopia, and hypoplastic genitalia. Individuals with a milder phenotype have less severe growth, cognitive, and limb involvement but usually have the classical facial features associated with CdLS.


**References:**

- GeneReviews
- OMIM #608667: **NIPBL** gene  
- OMIM #122470: CdLS

**Genes**

**HDAC8, NIPBL, RAD21, SMC1A, SMC3**

### Indications

This test is indicated for:

- Confirmation of a clinical diagnosis of Cornelia de Lange syndrome.  
- Carrier testing in adults with a family history of Cornelia de Lange syndrome.

### Methodology

**Deletion/Duplication Analysis:** DNA isolated from peripheral blood is hybridized to a CGH array to detect deletions and duplications. The targeted CGH array has overlapping probes which cover the entire genomic region.

**Detection**

Deletion/Duplication Analysis: Detection is limited to duplications and deletions. The CGH array will not detect point or intronic mutations. Results of molecular analysis must be interpreted in the context of the patient’s clinical and/or biochemical phenotype.

### Specimen Requirements

**Submit only 1 of the following specimen types**

**Type: Whole Blood (EDTA)**

**Specimen Requirements:**

EDTA (Purple Top)  
Infants and Young Children (2 years of age to 10 years old): 3-5 ml  
Older Children & Adults: 5-10 ml  
Autopsy: 2-3 ml unclotted cord or cardiac blood

**Specimen Collection and Shipping:**

Ship sample at room temperature for receipt at EGL within 72 hours of collection. Do not freeze.

**Type: DNA, Isolated**

**Specimen Requirements:**

Microtainer  
3µg  
Isolation using the Perkin Elmer™Chemagen™ Chemagen™ Automated Extraction method or Qiagen™ Puregene kit for DNA extraction is recommended.

**Specimen Collection and Shipping:**

Refrigerate until time of shipment in 100 ng/µL in TE buffer. Ship sample at room temperature with overnight delivery.

### Related Tests

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- Cornelia de Lange Syndrome: Sequencing Panel
- NIPBL Sequencing and deletion/duplication analysis
- SMC1A Sequencing and deletion/duplication analysis